

# UF VALUES YOU

**A GUIDE TO UF FINANCIAL AID**



Scan the QR code for more information  
on UF financial aid resources to make  
your education affordable.

**[ADMISSIONS.UFL.EDU/VALUE](https://admissions.ufl.edu/value)**

# 2 EASY STEPS

## 1. START YOUR UF ADMISSIONS APPLICATION TODAY!

**Application fees should not discourage you from joining our freshman class.**

The Common App contains a series of questions to determine if a student is eligible for an application fee waiver and, if eligible, the waiver will automatically be applied when the application is submitted.

## 2. COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA.

Complete the FAFSA, the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid** at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) as soon as it opens to receive the best financial aid offer.

### Need help filling out your FAFSA?

Get assistance and answers from **Federal Student Aid** at [studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) or call **1-800-433-3243**



### How to fill out the FAFSA

- Create your StudentAid.gov account at [studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account](https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account).
- Gather your documents! You will need your parents' social security numbers (if they have social security numbers) if you're a dependent student.
- Start your 2025-26 FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov).
- List the University of Florida as a school of choice.
- If you're a dependent student, provide contact information for your parent contributors.
- Submit your application.
- Follow up to ensure your parents complete their portion. Check the status under the "My Activity" section after you sign in.

**Now it's our turn!** Once we receive the FAFSA application information, we will process the file and send admitted students an email notification to view their comprehensive aid offer around March 2025.

# EXCEPTIONAL AND AFFORDABLE!

**\$319 MILLION**

**IN UNDERGRADUATE GRANTS  
AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

**YOUR TUITION AND MORE  
COULD BE COVERED!**

With our low costs and generous financial aid packages, low-income and first-generation students could graduate debt-free.



## MEET JELIANYS

Scan to hear how Jelianys' custom financial aid package helped support her academic journey and fulfill her dream of becoming a Gator.



**HIGHEST  
RANKING  
LOWEST  
COST**

UF has the **lowest tuition cost** among any school ranked in the Top 50 national universities.

U.S. News and World Report, 2024



## MERIT-BASED AID:

No separate application is needed for UF Merit-Based Scholarships beyond your application for admission. UF offers over 3,500 students merit scholarships per year!

## NEED-BASED AID:

Provides funds for students based on their level of financial need. You must complete a FAFSA to be considered for all sources of need-based financial aid.

You may receive both types of aid to fund your studies.

UF will customize your aid package to match your academic and financial situation through a variety of aid programs.

**MFOS** and the **UF Excellence Grant** offer pathways for students to graduate debt-free.

### Scholarships

May be awarded based on merit or financial need.

The **Machen Florida Opportunity Scholars Program (MFOS)** provides financial and individual support for in-state, first-generation, low-income undergraduate students. This scholarship provides funding up to full financial need for four years of undergraduate study. After completing the FAFSA, students are invited to become MFOS scholars if they meet the initial eligibility criteria.

The **Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program**, provides scholarships to in-state residents based on high school academic achievement. For more information visit your high school guidance office or call (888) 827-2004 prior to high school graduation.

**Benacquisto Scholarship** is offered to in-state residents and covers UF's standard cost of attendance less the amount of the Bright Futures and National Merit Scholarship awards. The Benacquisto Scholarship is a state-funded program that is appropriated by the legislature each year.

The **UF Honors Program** also offers scholarships for incoming students who rank at the top of their class and demonstrate service to the community, extracurricular involvement, leadership, and other criteria.

**Explore Other Scholarships available at**  
[sfa.ufl.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/](https://sfa.ufl.edu/types-of-aid/scholarships/)

### Grants

Awarded to students who show financial need.

The **UF Excellence Grant** recognizes our first-time in college, high-achieving students. We offer this grant as part of a no-loan aid package to students who meet eligibility criteria. The UF Excellence Grant is renewable for up to four years, or attainment of a bachelor's degree, as long as the student continues to be Pell-eligible and make satisfactory academic progress.

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### Federal Work-Study Employment

Provides part-time jobs for students with financial need.

**Work-study** positions help students earn money to help pay educational expenses, gain valuable work experience, build their resumes, make connections across campus, and have a more enriching college experience.

### Loans

Financial assistance that enable students and parents to borrow funds.

A **loan** is money you borrow to help pay for educational expenses and must pay back with interest. Subsidized loans do not accrue interest while you are in school for at least half-time or during deferment periods.

**We've prepared three financial aid package samples to give you an idea of what you might expect. These are real examples of aid offers we have made for students!**

*Note: These packages do not include loans and are comprised of only grants and scholarships.*



### FLORIDA FAMILY A

Student	In-State
Family Income	\$40,720
Family Assets	\$0
Family Size	4

**Grants/Scholarships: \$ 20,530**

**In-State Tuition/Fees: \$ - 6,380**

**Refund: \$ 14,150**

### FLORIDA FAMILY B

Student	In-State
Family Income	\$54,000
Family Assets	\$20,000
Family Size	3

**Grants/Scholarships: \$ 20,530**

**In-State Tuition/Fees: \$ - 6,380**

**Refund: \$ 14,150**

### FLORIDA FAMILY C

Student	In-State
Family Income	\$83,984
Family Assets	\$22,912
Family Size	4

**Grants/Scholarships: \$ 10,640**

**In-State Tuition/Fees: \$ - 6,380**

**Refund: \$ 4,260**

**Your refund is money that's disbursed directly to you.**

**You can use your refund for other expenses like:**

Housing • Food • Books, Supplies, and Equipment • Transportation • Personal Expenses

**92%**

**FIRST-YEAR  
UNDERGRADUATES  
RECEIVE GRANTS  
AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

**\$15,421**

**AVERAGE FINANCIAL  
AID PACKAGE  
FOR FIRST-TIME,  
FULL-TIME FRESHMEN**

**79%**

**UNDERGRADUATES  
GRADUATE FROM UF  
WITH NO STUDENT  
LOAN DEBT**



## Questions on financial aid and scholarships?

Contact the OneStop team to get help via phone,  
email, virtual or in-person appointments.



[onestop.ufl.edu](https://onestop.ufl.edu)

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